

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA - SEPTEMBER, 1958

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POPULATION ESTIMATESWhole of State at 30th June, 1958 -

Males - 361,802

Females - 343,448

Persons - 705,250

Metropolitan Area at 31st December, 1957 -

Persons - 380,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS - WESTERN AUSTRALIA

	<u>AUGUST</u>		<u>Eight Months ended AUGUST</u>	
	1958	1957	1958	1957
Marriages - Number	287	326	3,283	3,253
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	4.78	5.54	7.01	7.09
Births - Number	1,277	1,505	11,174	11,396
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	21.27	25.56	23.85	24.83
Deaths - Number	554	534	3,694	3,455
* Rate per 1,000 of Population	9.23	9.07	7.88	7.53
Infant Mortality) - Number	23	33	229	245
* Rate per 1,000 Live Births	18.01	21.93	20.49	21.50
<u>PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH</u>				
Tuberculosis	6	5	19	21
Malignant neoplasms	73	67	583	569
Diabetes mellitus	8	10	33	48
Diseases of blood, etc.	5	1	12	11
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	58	67	442	383
Diseases of the heart	198	163	1,208	1,043
Hypertension with heart disease	18	18	108	98
Hypertensive disease without mention of heart	6	7	38	38
Arteriosclerosis	10	16	87	87
Influenza	2	3	4	7
Pneumonia	30	23	134	121
Bronchitis	8	11	46	39
Other respiratory diseases	7	7	40	49
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	5	6	28	27
Gastro-enteritis and colitis	1	-	23	9
Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	-	1	6	4
Cirrhosis of the liver	2	3	20	18
Nephritis and nephrosis	4	11	42	53
Diseases of the prostate	4	5	34	34
Maternal causes	-	-	6	3
Diseases of early infancy	13	17	135	153
Motor vehicle accidents	21	14	125	109
Other accidents	9	19	107	131
Suicide	10	8	64	65
All other causes	56	52	350	335
Total:	554	534	3,694	3,455

* Equivalent Annual Rate.

* Deaths under one year.

LAND SETTLEMENT

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the nine months ended September, 1958, totalled 618,745 acres, a decrease of 34,304 acres on the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered during the same period amounted to 3,725,534 acres, a decrease of 471,044 acres on the corresponding period of 1957.

STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Item	SEPTEMBER		Three Months ended SEPTEMBER	
	1958	1957	1958	1957
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue	4,435,095	4,148,130	12,700,564	12,352,436
Revenue per Head of Population	6. 5. 4	5. 19. 6	17. 19. 5	17. 16. 4
Expenditure	4,838,259	4,588,152	14,933,392	14,201,700
Expenditure per Head of Population	6. 16. 8	6. 12. 2	21. 2. 7	20. 9. 8

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances at the end of September, 1958, amounted to £67,654,056 or £95-9-9 per head of population as against £64,144,796 or £92-6-4 per head at the end of September, 1957.

BANK CLEARANCES

The average weekly clearance for the four weeks ended 24th September, 1958, amounted to £14,039,623 compared with £15,395,911 for the corresponding period last year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		SEPTEMBER		Three Months ended SEPTEMBER	
		1958	1957	1958	1957
Transfers	No.	1,637	1,696	5,139	5,154
	£.	2,523,871	2,610,703	8,140,325	7,973,576
Mortgages	No.	1,272	1,269	4,069	3,955
	£.	2,356,713	2,240,621	7,909,086	7,458,760
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	915	933	2,946	2,883

SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE AND EXEMPT GOODS
AND TAX COLLECTED

Period of Receipt of Returns	Taxable Goods		Sales of Exempt Goods	Tax Collected
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable (Net)	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable (Gross)		
	£.	£.	£.	£.
September, 1958	4,190,555	3,230,227	10,691,693	584,424
September, 1957	4,433,531	3,478,292	10,194,104	623,497
Three Months ended September, 1958	12,062,248	9,350,317	31,216,333	1,700,681
Three Months ended September, 1957	10,508,858	8,423,520	30,169,332	1,550,242

COMPANIES REGISTERED

66 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £3,946,350 and 36 Foreign Companies were registered during the three months ended September, 1958. Registrations for the corresponding period last year comprised 80 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £3,346,000 and 27 Foreign Companies.

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Three Months ended SEPTEMBER					
	1958			1957		
	No.	Liabilities £.	Assets £.	No.	Liabilities £.	Assets £.
Sequestration Orders	34	275,302	64,706	29	72,748	43,041
Deeds of Assignment (a)	22	174,453	151,645	34	117,631	91,526
Deeds of Arrangement	-	-	-	-	-	-

(a) Includes Compositions and Schemes of Arrangement.

TRANSPORT

The operations of the State Government Railways, open for General and Passenger traffic, were as follows:-

Item		AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST	
		1958	1957	1958	1957
Gross Earnings (a)*	£.	995,500	1,055,500	2,021,600	2,165,200
Working Expenses (a)	£.	1,220,420	1,245,602	2,500,411	2,565,921
Train Miles Run	No.	594,333	630,050	1,220,593	1,267,690
Motor Bus Miles Run	No.	(b) 95,308	(c) 102,158	(d) 160,814	(e) 180,639
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>					
Train	No.	1,124,929	1,133,250	2,252,550	2,310,512
Motor Bus	No.	26,157	26,335	46,882	48,981
<u>Tonnage Carried -</u>					
Paying Goods		237,954	281,175	505,538	560,752
Livestock		9,438	10,462	18,743	20,341
Departmental (Free Freight)		62,260	54,300	130,457	103,705
Total:		309,652	345,937	654,738	684,798
<u>Net Ton Mileage of -</u>					
Paying Goods		39,906,693	46,500,461	86,660,116	95,233,909
Livestock		1,356,353	1,582,465	2,706,214	3,018,587
Departmental (Free Freight)		6,009,222	5,872,995	13,263,142	11,420,614
Total:		47,272,268	53,955,921	102,629,472	109,673,110

(a) Includes operations of the Railway Road Service.

(b) Four weeks ended 16th August.

(c) Four weeks ended 17th August.

(d) Seven weeks ended 16th August.

* Figures liable to revision.

(e) Seven weeks ended 17th August.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Entire State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities Vans, Trucks*	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities Vans, Trucks*	Buses	Motor Cycles
1953	4,460	64	1,805	57	746	8,166	103	4,968	76	1,239
1954	6,499	161	2,326	34	736	11,667	217	5,866	70	1,267
1955	6,852	162	2,371	18	701	11,612	233	5,373	59	1,130
1956	5,219	97	1,759	24	724	9,067	169	4,413	85	1,057
1957	5,639	228	1,856	35	1,007	9,865	370	4,385	71	1,447
1958 -										
January	372	37	140	-	149	648	67	342	2	192
February	536	70	155	5	125	860	117	399	11	173
March	518	44	155	-	147	875	90	384	-	198
April	577	55	135	2	110	938	112	400	4	157
May	476	48	179	2	82	773	71	400	5	113
June	430	64	138	-	54	742	113	358	3	87
July	439	59	167	2	78	731	98	414	5	124
August	448	57	153	3	79	731	100	369	8	118

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Entire State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses*	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses*	Motor Cycles
1956 -								
June	(c) 61,835	(c) 24,169	548	9,253	(c) 98,875	(c) 64,430	1,175	13,873
December	(c) 64,158	(c) 24,641	553	9,133	(c) 101,708	(c) 64,765	1,189	13,551
1957 -								
June	65,013	24,354	560	8,770	103,788	64,806	1,204	13,146
December	67,315	24,209	592	8,389	107,052	64,236	1,234	12,599
1958 -								
January	68,295	24,414	587	8,532	107,743	63,908	1,132	12,584
February	68,490	24,379	547	8,552	108,262	64,163	1,171	12,652
March	68,829	24,390	542	8,594	108,966	64,445	1,172	12,745
April	69,320	24,418	547	8,635	109,254	64,327	1,175	12,643
May	69,363	24,427	551	8,622	109,919	64,828	1,185	12,767
June	69,414	24,217	553	8,580	110,573	65,046	1,190	12,827
July	*71,265	24,593	555	8,537	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
August	71,563	24,644	558	8,568	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

- (a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.
(b) Not yet available
(c) Prior to June, 1957, Station Wagons are included with Utilities, Vans, Trucks.
* Figures revised.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency
(£,000)

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST		AUGUST		Two Months ended AUGUST	
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
Oversea	4,684	3,950	10,231	8,125	6,662	5,535	14,910	11,638
Interstate	9,262	8,943	15,974	14,902	3,281	3,166	5,030	4,902
Total:	13,946	12,893	26,205	23,027	9,943	8,701	19,941	16,540

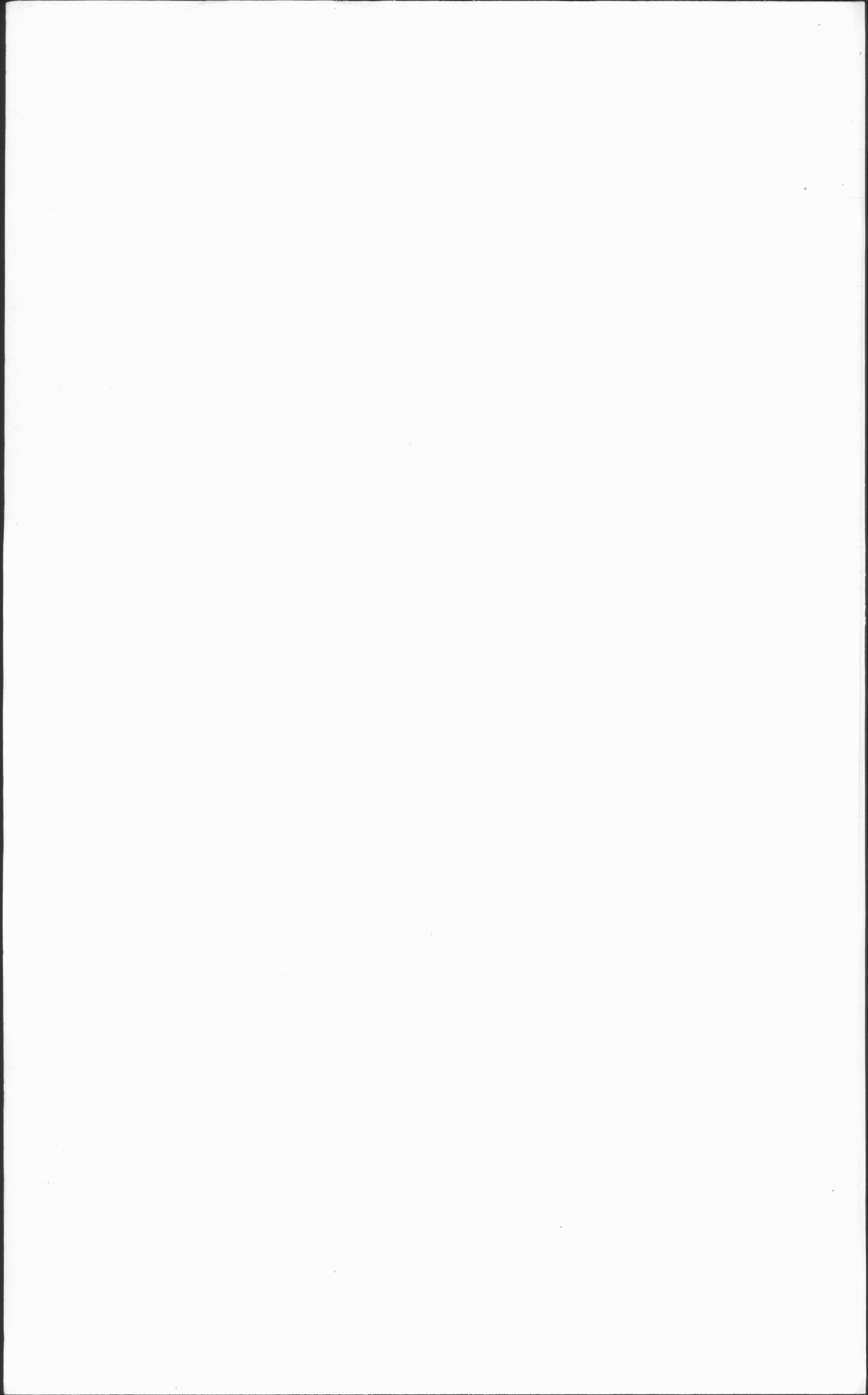
Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc. (a)							
	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000
1946	55	32	1,316	1,221	52	82	145	192	1,568	1,527
1947	165	109	2,245	2,380	37	64	164	327	2,611	2,880
1948	514	346	2,544	3,042	49	160	268	431	3,375	3,978
1949	825	693	2,485	3,476	57	215	317	657	3,684	5,041
1950	1,313	1,365	3,331	4,727	41	263	428	651	5,113	7,006
1951	1,913	2,835	4,137	6,969	40	459	433	986	6,523	11,249
1952	2,883	5,824	4,946	11,201	63	667	604	2,424	8,496	19,934
1953	2,988	7,219	4,839	12,624	84	817	714	3,657	8,625	24,317
1954	3,127	8,255	5,044	13,491	111	1,544	844	5,015	9,126	28,305
1955	2,788	8,194	6,422	18,091	129	3,405	933	6,900	10,272	36,590
1956	1,921	5,708	4,773	13,508	97	946	923	7,359	7,714	27,521
1957	1,401	4,086	4,748	13,680	100	1,110	714	6,450	6,963	25,326
1958 -										
March Qr.	249	700	1,057	3,233	28	356	162	2,144	1,496	6,433
June Qr.	369	1,086	1,122	3,379	35	515	185	1,508	1,711	6,488

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

Period	Houses Completed - Classified According to Materials of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Concrete, etc.		Wood, or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000		£,000
1946	578	640	186	140	373	296	227	172	1,364	1,248
1947	1,114	1,365	257	196	966	862	62	47	2,399	2,470
1948	1,252	1,715	326	249	1,436	1,348	29	22	3,043	3,334
1949	1,449	2,235	228	191	1,571	1,649	42	43	3,290	4,118
1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
1951	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
1952	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
1953	2,676	8,417	976	2,657	3,966	8,277	24	54	7,642	19,405
1954	2,865	9,767	214	530	4,823	10,833	4	4	7,906	21,134
1955	3,268	11,775	225	621	5,271	12,614	8	17	8,772	25,027
1956	3,017	10,491	62	175	2,964	6,864	4	9	6,047	17,539
1957	3,773	12,159	28	67	2,139	4,890	6	9	5,946	17,125
1958 -										
March Qr.	904	2,943	4	10	371	896	-	-	1,279	3,849
June Qr.	945	3,174	8	21	470	1,100	1	2	1,424	4,297

Item	SEPTEMBER		Nine Months ended SEPTEMBER	
	1958	1957	1958	1957
<u>GOLD</u>				
Quantity Fine oz.	68,744	64,422	609,391	649,829
Value (Aust. Currency) (a) £.	1,074,131	1,006,598	9,521,715	10,153,570
Dividends reported by				
Gold Mining Companies £.	-	11,500	1,061,094	1,383,062

(a) Excludes additional premiums on gold sold by Gold Producers' Association Limited and subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.



RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

(Base of Each Series: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities for 1923/27 = 1000)

Centre	Food and Groceries				"C" Series			
	SEPTEMBER Quarter		Twelve Months ended SEPTEMBER		SEPTEMBER Quarter		Twelve Months ended SEPTEMBER	
	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958
Metropolitan Area	3078	2998	3064	2967	2746	2758	2725	2731
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	3188	3222	3234	3187	2624	2663	2625	2639
Northam	3164	3111	3158	3093	2716	2716	2681	2701
Bunbury	3155	3091	3141	3136	2761	2786	2738	2785
Geraldton	3264	3238	3228	3222	2936	2962	2906	2943
Collie	3201	3199	3173	3186	2519	2539	2496	2526

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(1000)

Month	1957			1958		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
January	138.9	44.2	183.1	139.0	45.3	184.3
February	139.7	45.2	184.9	138.7	45.7	184.4
March	140.0	45.5	185.5	139.5	46.0	185.5
April	139.4	45.0	184.4	139.0	45.9	184.9
May	138.9	45.1	184.0	138.7	45.9	184.6
June	138.4	44.5	182.9	138.6	45.8	184.4
July	138.0	44.9	182.9	138.0	45.8	183.8
August	138.1	44.9	183.0	138.3	46.0	184.3
September	138.4	45.2	183.6			
October	138.7	45.3	184.0			
November	139.2	45.8	185.0			
December	138.9	46.1	185.0			

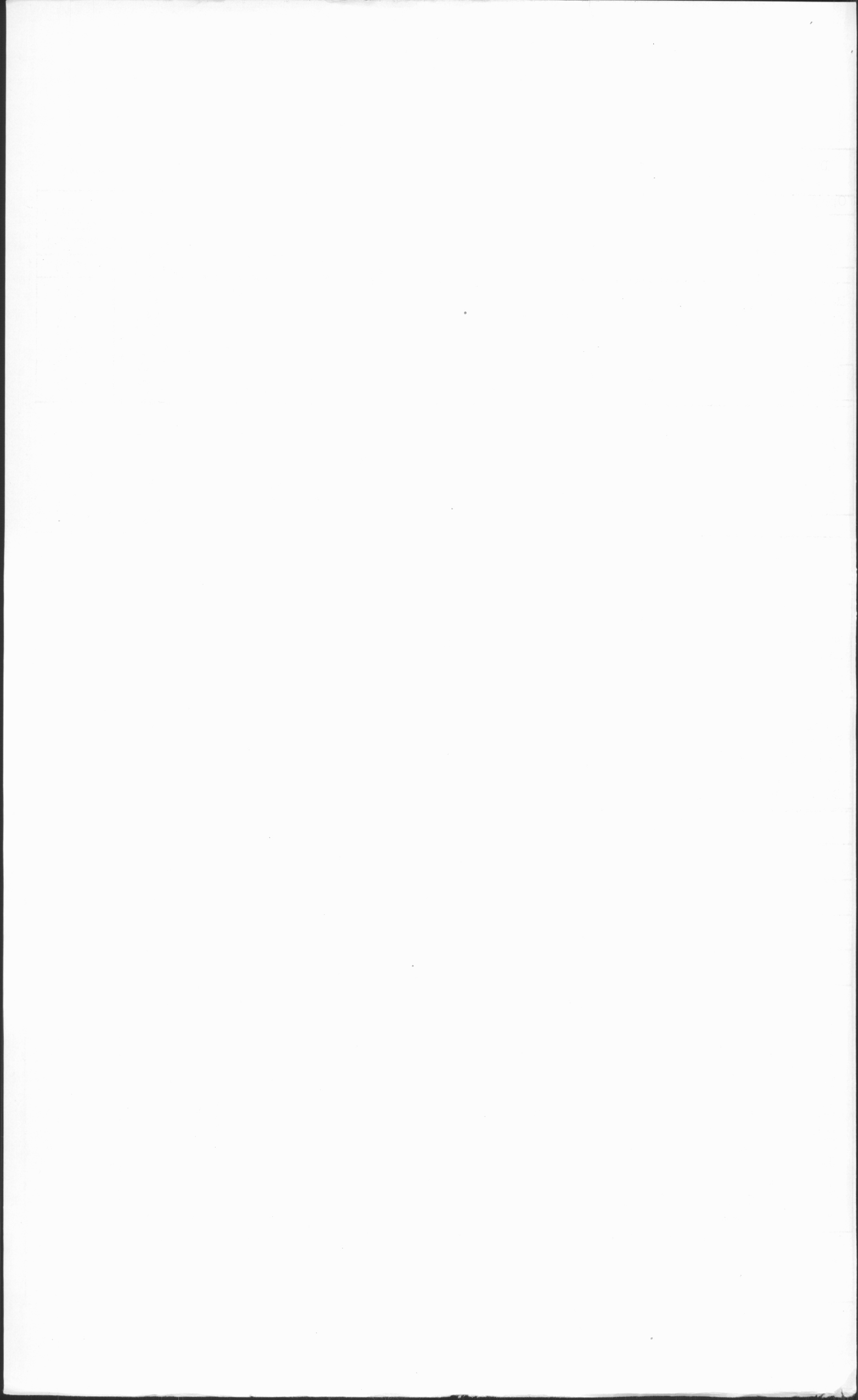
(a) Excludes Rural, Female Private Domestic, Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
January	226	237	241	232	233
February	228	240	241	235	232
March	231	242	240	236	232
April	230	243	239	234	231
May	231	242	238	234	230
June	230	239	235	231	230
July	230	238	231	230	226
August	230	239	230	230	226
September	232	241	233	232	
October	233	241	233	233	
November	234	243	233	234	
December	233	242	232	233	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1957 are preliminary.



STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area		South-West Land Division		Goldfields and Rest of State	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
27/10/58	13. 13. 5	8. 17. 9	13. 13. 4	8. 17. 8	13. 11. 6	8. 16. 6

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS IN PRINCIPAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
August, 1958	20,075	863	75,369	43,329	17,205
August, 1957	17,189	472	52,463	51,599	14,761
2 Months ended August, 1958	39,992	1,392	135,980	72,545	32,251
2 Months ended August, 1957	33,473	906	93,508	83,163	28,682

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(Note - Excludes non-casualty accidents where damage was estimated to be £10 or less)

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area

Period	Non Casualty Accidents (Damage over £10)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents Reported		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try	Metro-politan	Coun-try
1953	4,074	1,463	2,024	882	6,098	2,345	99	93	2,430	1,234
1954	5,072	1,824	2,415	874	7,487	2,698	96	89	3,028	1,281
1955	5,878	2,029	2,237	921	8,115	2,950	110	89	2,669	1,318
1956	5,866	2,095	2,161	875	8,027	2,970	102	80	2,653	1,236
1957	6,150	2,193	2,244	976	8,394	3,169	87	65	2,733	1,335
<u>1958 -</u>										
January	520	161	162	87	682	248	8	11	218	120
February	438	135	202	81	640	216	3	6	246	112
March	491	181	224	77	715	258	10	11	271	109
April	514	208	193	99	707	307	7	7	229	144
May	656	202	218	*85	874	*287	4	*13	271	*125
June	560	191	221	73	781	264	6	5	262	95
July	*775	*186	240	*80	*1,015	*266	6	7	282	*109
August	513	174	182	91	695	265	10	13	219	124
Total Eight Months ended August	4,467	1,438	1,642	673	6,109	2,111	54	73	1,998	938

* Revised.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS

(SUBJECT TO REVISION)

Item	Unit	SEPTEMBER		Three Months ended SEPTEMBER	
		1958	1957	1958	1957
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	561	575	1,600	1,553
Bricks - Cement	'000	99	230	532	689
- Clay	"	8,799	9,573	25,582	26,821
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq. yd.	123	139	347	418
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	2,043	2,392	6,323	7,073
Ready Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	27,669	25,792	70,053	70,652
Tiles, roofing - Cement	'000	469	604	1,370	1,963
Timber - Sawn (from Local Logs) (a)	'000 sup.ft.	17,958(b)	18,338(b)	37,027(c)	36,650(c)
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven (all types)	dozen	1,043	508	2,475	2,367
Shirts (all types) Men's and Boys'	"	5,780	5,640	16,658	15,176
Sports Coats - Men's	number	286	335	785	1,078
Suits - Men's - 3 piece	"	70	110	236	392
- 2 piece	"	1,422	1,764	4,207	4,996
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	4,896	4,261	14,427	13,806
- Work	"	13,289	13,087	43,258	41,461
<u>Footwear (incl. Sandals and Slippers)</u>					
Men's and Youths'	pair	32,054	31,012	93,297	90,994
Women's and Maids'	"	34,266	22,417	76,556	50,791
Children's	"	20,381	18,351	50,022	51,359
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	590	685	1,467	1,708
Butter	"	1,927	2,255	4,969	6,167
Cheese	"	343	336	779	781
Sauce - Tomato	pint	68,161	51,699	214,137	243,825
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acids - Acetic	cwt.	390	475	1,135	1,403
- Sulphuric	ton	15,980	16,454	46,664	47,448
Coal	"	77,834	73,003	238,077	233,266
Cycles, Pedal	number	617	690	1,371	1,729
Electricity Generated	'000 K.W.H.	70,400	66,238	220,894	208,839
Gas Produced	million cu.ft.	128	126	401	392
Iron (Pig Iron)	ton	1,484	1,180	5,000	3,537
Mattresses - Inner Spring	number	2,786	1,990	8,279	6,505
- Woven Wire	"	575	1,309	3,727	7,021
- Soft Filled	"	2,487	2,817	8,277	9,149
Motor Vehicle Bodies -					
Truck Trays	"	30	42	92	94
Trailers (all types)	"	14	10	48	25
Perambulators	"	59	60	173	174
Soap and Soap Substitutes	cwt.	5,324	5,307	18,604	18,352
Superphosphate	ton	43,569	45,255	127,858	131,829
Wool Scoured	'000 lb.	1,962	2,297	5,601	6,015

(a) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super feet.

(b) August figures, September not available.

(c) Two months ended August.

VALUE OF RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

The figures in the table below relate to goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, etc.) sold to the public by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards). The table contains particulars for the years 1948-49, 1952-53, 1956-57 and 1957-58 on a comparable basis. The figures for the years 1948-49 and 1952-53 were obtained from Censuses taken in respect of those years, whereas particulars for the other periods shown are estimates based on sample surveys.

(& Million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food (b)	Beer, Wine, Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Piecegoods & Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (c)	Electrical Goods and Radios	Furniture and Floor Coverings	Other Goods (d)	Total Excluding Motor Vehicles, etc.	Motor Vehicles Parts, Petrol (e)
<u>YEARS</u>											
1948-49	10.8	4.0	7.1	8.5	14.3	3.8	2.4	3.0	10.8	64.7	13.7
1952-53	20.7	8.2	13.7	14.4	24.1	9.3	6.1	5.2	25.6	127.3	37.3
1956-57	27.4	10.7	19.4	16.4	28.1	11.4	7.4	6.3	31.8	158.9	46.6
1957-58	29.1	11.5	20.6	17.9	29.3	12.1	8.1	6.7	33.7	169.0	58.1
<u>QUARTERS</u>											
March Qtr.											
1955	6.3	2.2	4.1	4.2	5.9	2.5	1.8	1.4	8.0	36.4	11.5
1956	6.7	2.4	4.9	4.4	5.8	2.5	2.1	1.4	8.1	38.3	12.2
1957	6.6	2.6	5.0	4.5	6.0	2.8	1.8	1.5	8.5	39.3	11.6
1958	7.1	2.8	5.3	5.0	6.2	2.9	2.0	1.5	9.0	41.8	14.7
June Qtr.											
1955	6.4	2.4	3.8	3.6	7.3	2.6	1.5	1.6	8.0	37.2	12.4
1956	7.0	2.7	4.4	3.5	7.3	2.7	1.5	1.4	7.9	38.4	10.6
1957	7.0	2.8	5.0	3.9	7.4	3.0	1.8	1.6	8.2	40.7	12.7
1958	7.4	2.9	5.2	4.2	7.6	2.9	1.7	1.7	8.7	42.3	14.7
Sept. Qtr.											
1955	6.5	2.6	4.4	3.3	6.7	2.6	1.8	1.6	7.0	36.5	12.9
1956	6.7	2.7	4.5	3.6	6.6	2.6	1.6	1.5	6.9	36.7	10.6
1957	7.0	2.9	4.8	3.9	6.8	2.8	1.8	1.7	7.4	39.1	13.7
Dec. Qtr.											
1955	6.9	2.5	4.7	4.1	8.0	3.0	2.6	1.7	8.5	42.0	13.3
1956	7.1	2.6	4.9	4.4	8.1	3.0	2.2	1.7	8.2	42.2	11.7
1957	7.6	2.9	5.3	4.8	8.7	3.5	2.6	1.8	8.6	45.8	15.0

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1953, are subject to revision. (b) Includes Fresh Fruit and Vegetables, Confectionery, Soft Drinks, Ice Cream, Cakes, Pastry, Cooked Provisions, Fish, etc., but excludes most delivered Milk and some delivered Bread. (c) Excludes Basic Building Materials (e.g. Timber, Roofing Tiles, Bricks, etc.). (d) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, etc. Newspapers, Books and Stationery, Chemists' Goods, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (e) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc.

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

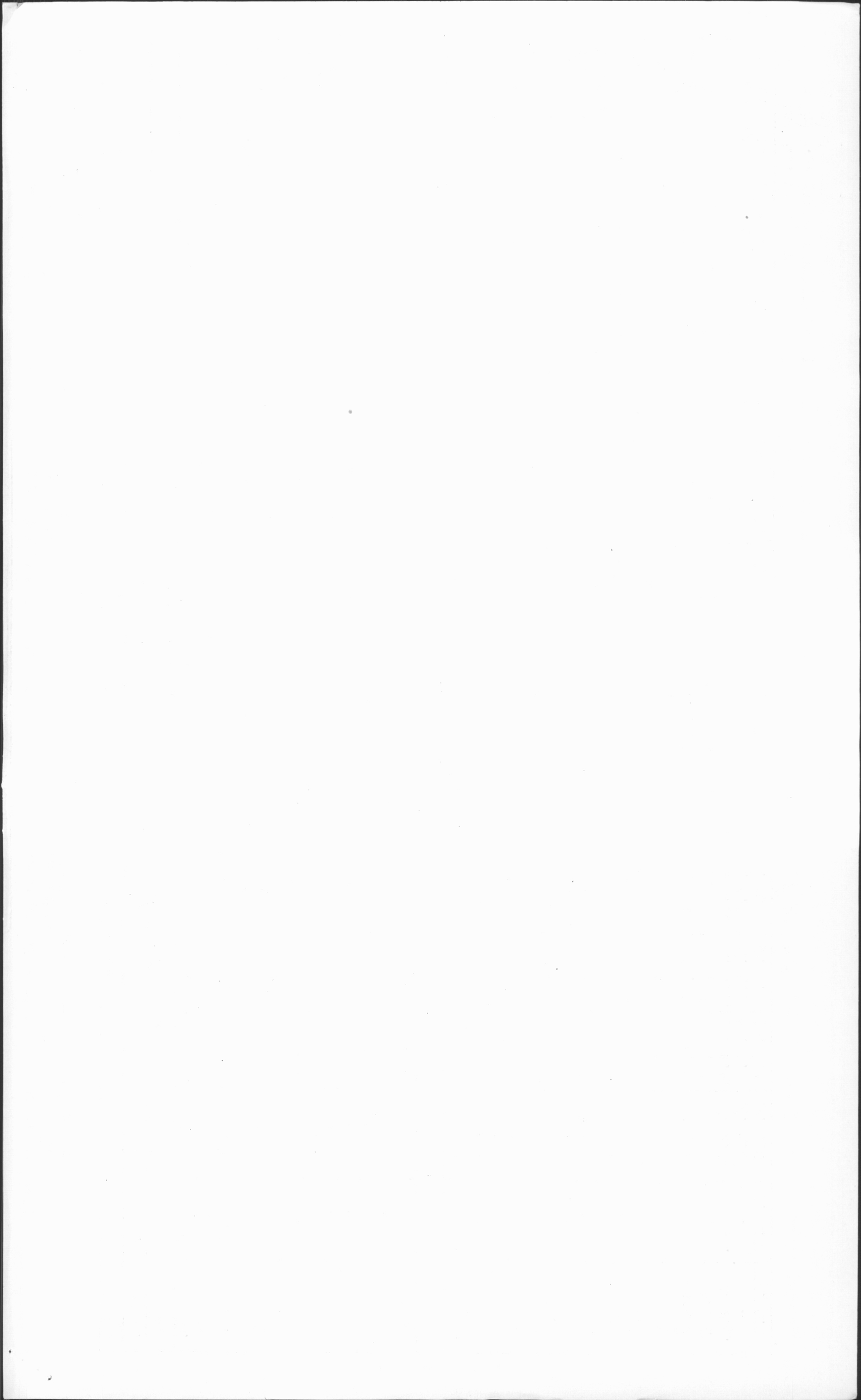
Item	Unit	1957				1958								
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
FRUIT														
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	s. d. 10. 2	s. d. 12. 0	s. d. 13. 11	s. d. 24. 7	s. d. 36. 6	s. d. 35. 5	s. d. 41. 9	s. d. 28. 0	s. d. 21. 2	s. d. 12. 10	s. d. 13. 3	s. d. 11. 10	s. d. 13. 7
Oranges - Navel	bush.	27. 1	32. 4	-	-	-	-	-	-	31. 9	27. 5	29. 7	34. 0	38. 5
- Val.	bush.	22. 1	21. 1	21. 6	21. 9	22. 4	22. 8	27. 9	34. 2	32. 7	-	-	30. 4	33. 5
Bananas - Local	lb.	1. 11	1. 7	1. 4	1. 0	1. 3	10	11	1. 1	1. 2	1. 2	1. 3	1. 4	1. 3
Apples - G. Smith	bush.	42. 6	44. 9	57. 9	58. 7	-	-	18. 5	30. 11	28. 0	25. 2	30. 6	28. 7	27. 3
- Other	bush.	42. 0	46. 5	63. 8	59. 8	31. 10	29. 3	27. 4	37. 1	35. 3	34. 1	39. 2	41. 10	34. 0
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	38. 0	-	-	-	29. 7	28. 9	30. 6	31. 2	-	-	27. 2	25. 3	-
Apricots	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	29. 4	28. 0	43. 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nectarines	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	23. 2	28. 11	27. 5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Plums	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	24. 11	20. 10	18. 0	29. 2	46. 3	-	-	-	-	-
Peaches	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	40. 10	19. 10	20. 3	17. 3	20. 9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grapes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	31. 11	24. 11	21. 9	24. 6	25. 0	29. 11	-	-	-	-
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate \neq	s. d. 13. 5	s. d. 5. 10	s. d. 7. 1	s. d. 10. 6	s. d. 16. 3	s. d. 11. 6	s. d. 6. 4	s. d. 5. 10	s. d. 6. 10	s. d. 7. 0	s. d. 7. 3	s. d. 6. 1	s. d. 5. 2
Cauliflowers	dozen	7. 0	9. 6	9. 7	-	-	18. 0	16. 1	18. 4	11. 0	14. 6	19. 2	15. 8	6. 7
Lettuce	crate	11. 8	17. 0	13. 6	8. 2	8. 2	12. 9	11. 10	12. 11	7. 6	10. 6	7. 9	9. 6	7. 5
Table Celery	doz. head	10. 6	7. 11	9. 0	7. 5	9. 4	8. 9	13. 3	12. 5	10. 11	12. 1	8. 4	8. 7	9. 2
Beetroot	cwt.	49. 5	44. 3	30. 4	64. 11	82. 6	62. 5	33. 2	34. 10	26. 1	32. 11	35. 5	(c)	(c)
Carrots	cwt.	42. 3	40. 7	24. 3	19. 8	22. 0	29. 8	37. 11	33. 10	20. 8	20. 7	17. 6	(c)	(c)
Parsnips	cwt.	68. 8	42. 10	28. 6	27. 8	30. 1	42. 0	50. 2	55. 11	48. 0	51. 7	46. 5	(c)	(c)
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. bag	11. 2	4. 7	4. 0	6. 7	4. 3	7. 10	5. 2	5. 7	5. 11	6. 9	5. 1	5. 1	5. 6
Swedes	cwt.	32. 2	31. 2	28. 6	34. 1	42. 10	48. 1	40. 0	28. 10	26. 2	22. 8	20. 1	(c)	(c)
Runner Beans	lb.	1. 3	10	10	11	1. 1	9	9	5	11	1. 3	1. 5	1. 4	1. 6
Peas	lb.	11	9	11	1. 5	1. 9	1. 10	1. 5	1. 5	1. 4	1. 10	1. 4	1. 1	11
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	2	3	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3
Pumpkin	bag	21. 11	19. 9	14. 9	17. 11	19. 9	17. 1	15. 6	15. 1	13. 7	12. 11	14. 1	14. 7	13. 4
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	18. 8	46. 0	32. 8	18. 11	19. 3	22. 3	23. 0	23. 0	22. 7	24. 6	28. 11	15. 0	14. 7
Onions (a)	ton	£. s. d. -	£. s. d. -	£. s. d. -	£. s. d. 31. 15. 0	£. s. d. 31. 15. 0	£. s. d. 36. 0. 0	£. s. d. 36. 0. 0	£. s. d. 36. 0. 0	£. s. d. 36. 0. 0	£. s. d. 36. 0. 0	£. s. d. 36. 0. 0	£. s. d. -	£. s. d. -
Potatoes (b)	ton	40. 5. 0	40. 5. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0	32. 0. 0

(a) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants delivered Metropolitan Area.

\neq 50 lb. crate.

(b) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants F.O.R. Perth.

(c) Not available.



AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

Item	1957				1958									
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	
<u>Good Quality Sheep</u>														
Suckers	4. 4.10	4. 0. 7	3.13. 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.14. 1	3.18. 6	3. 6. 9	
Lambs - In Wool	-	-	-	-	4. 0. 7	4. 3. 9	4. 2. 8	3.19.11	4. 9. 1	4.15. 0	4.11. 8	3.14. 4	-	
- Shorn	3.14. 3	3. 9. 5	3. 7. 7	3.17.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.13. 3	3. 4. 9	-	
Hoggets - In Wool	-	-	-	-	3.13. 3	3.16. 3	3.14. 8	3. 9. 8	3.11.11	-	3.19.10	-	-	
- Shorn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ewes - In Wool	-	-	-	-	2. 6. 1	2. 7. 5	2. 9. 3	2.10. 1	2.13. 4	2.18.11	2.17. 2	2.17. 3	-	
- Shorn	2. 6. 5	1.18. 2	1.17. 2	2. 2.10	-	-	-	-	-	2. 1. 1	1.19. 3	1.14. 9	1.15. 6	
Wethers - In Wool	-	-	-	-	3. 1.11	3. 6.10	3. 9. 2	3. 4. 1	3. 8. 7	3.13. 2	3. 3. 3	3. 0. 5	-	
- Shorn	2.16. 7	2.10.10	2.17. 9	3. 1. 7	-	-	-	-	-	2.15. 9	2.10. 0	2. 6. 7	2. 6. 5	
<u>Good Quality Cattle</u>														
Baby Beef	32. 2. 2	29. 6. 0	20. 5.10	28. 7. 7	28. 7. 1	29. 6. 3	28. 5. 8	30. 8. 8	37. 2. 4	35.13. 5	35.14.10	33.17. 2	31.14. 7	
Heifers	36. 0. 5	34. 7. 7	30. 3. 9	32. 5. 0	33. 0. 0	33.10. 4	32. 9. 2	35. 9. 3	41. 2. 6	39.15. 9	38. 7. 3	38. 4. 7	35.18. 1	
Cows	38.14. 6	36. 8.10	36.13. 6	34.18. 0	40.11. 9	40. 9. 2	39.15. 1	41.12. 4	43.10. 5	43.13. 1	42.14. 1	42. 1. 1	39.18. 9	
Steers	44.14. 9	41. 4. 7	40. 0. 7	41. 2. 4	43. 1. 6	42.15. 9	41. 4. 1	44. 7. 9	48.13. 2	46.18. 5	46.14.11	47. 5. 0	44.17. 9	
Bullocks	43.11.10	45. 7. 4	46. 6.11	44.15.11	43. 4. 0	-	-	53.18. 9	-	52.10. 7	46.10. 7	60. 9. 4	56. 4. 5	
<u>Good Quality Pigs</u>														
Slips	3.15. 3	3. 7. 4	3. 0.11	3. 8. 2	2.18.11	2. 9. 9	2.19. 1	3. 0. 0	3. 1. 0	3.18. 4	4. 5. 1	4. 9.11	4.14.11	
Porkers	7.16. 8	7.10.10	7.11. 2	6.16. 8	7. 1. 0	6.19. 0	7. 5. 6	6.16. 2	7. 6.10	8. 8. 4	8. 6.10	8.10. 1	8. 6.11	
Baconers	13. 3. 8	12. 6. 8	12.13. 0	11. 9.10	11. 7. 4	11.14. 9	11.15. 7	11.11.11.	11.18. 7	13. 2. 9	13. 2. 9	13. 6. 6	14. 0. 0	

